

Mayor's Council on Disability
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Meeting Minutes
August 06, 2007

Sandra Booher, Chairperson
Bea Lyons, Vice Chair
Katie Jones, Secretary
Jill Hindman, Parliamentarian

Council Members:

Dr. Rick Rader
Jim Queen
Mary Ann Schenk
Tommy Gates
Gina Turley
Carolyn Boyd
Carol Martin
Gary Thornton

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Sandy Booher.

In attendance:

Gary Thornton
Carol Martin
Gina Turley
Carolyn Boyd
Bea Lyons
Sandy Booher
Katie Jones
Rick Rader
Jim Queen

Jill Hindman

Matt Lea, Special Assistant to the Mayor, City of
Chattanooga

Amanda Stofan, Compliance Officer, Office of Multicultural
Affairs

July 2007 meeting minutes were approved with corrections.

Visitors were recognized and thanked for attending today's meeting. Council members have planned a retreat with facilitation provided by the Center for Nonprofits; this training will consist of two 3-hour sessions.

Matt Lea gave presentation regarding Go!Fest. Jill Hindman provided web site of interest, www.tndisability.org . It was suggested that the ballast of the new Market Street bridge be used by the City to advertise "Welcome to Chattanooga, the city of Inclusion and Accessibility". Katie Jones asked that Matt Lea discuss this matter with Mayor Littlefield. The Council voted unanimously to accept the concept of Go!Fest 2007 and to host the event at the Chattanooga Zoo.

Jim Queen brought up a suggestion for a blog regarding disabilities. Under the scope of the Mayor's Council on Disability, we do not endorse blogs.

Jill Hindman announced that the local members of the legislature and all related disability agencies in the community are tentatively scheduling a meeting for October 29, 2007. [This date was eventually changed to November 09, 2007.]

The Southeast Tennessee Disabilities Awards luncheon for employers and employees with disabilities is set for October 10, 2007 at the Trade Center.

The AIM Center is having a healthcare hearing on Friday, August 17, 2007, at the center, 5:30 until 7:30pm. Please RSVP to Lori Smith at lsmith@ttc2.org . Dr. Rader and Jill Hindman are working to plan a "patch" for the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts; this special patch is being promoted through the Epilepsy Foundation.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katye Jones, Secretary.